(i) The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan should adopt a faculty development programme linked to promotions based on earning of credits by teachers in both academic and professional work.

(ii) Pre-Service education of three years duration should be conducted by the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan at zonal level.

(iii) Promotion of primary teachers should be made by giving them higher scale but not posting them as TGTs|PGTs.

(b) and (c) The Committee had interaction with various groups including employees' associations and user organisations while formulating its report.

Export Industry Status to Tourism

*299. SHRI SHAMIM HASHMI:

PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received suggestions from the Associated Chamoers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM) to give Tourism the status of an export oriented industry, as reported in 'the Indian Express' dated the 4th February, 1989; if so, what action Government propose to take thereon;

(b) what was the total number of tourists, year-wise, during the last three years; and

(c) whether Government have received complaints from tourists about beggar menace, transport cheats and inhospitable hotel staff; if so, what corrective steps Government have taken/propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) Proposals for giving the status of "export industry" to tourism were considered by the Government and a number of incentives and facilities were extended to tourism industries even before the suggestion of the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India was received.

(b) The total number of tourists who visited India during the last three years, including the nationals of Pakistan and Bangladesh, were:—

Year	No. of tourists
1986 . . .	14,51,076
1987 . . .	14,84,290
1988 . . .	15,90,661

(c) As and when any complaints are received by the Government, appropriate remedial measures are initiated in co-ordination with the respective State Governments and other agencies. The system of pre-paid taxi service has been introduced in all the four major airports to avoid cheating by taxi drivers.

New Entrants in the Wagon Manufacturing Industry

*300. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the delicensing of the wagan manufacturing industry implies that any one could enter the wagon manufacturing industry in the country;

(b) whether the capacity of the existing wagon manufacturers in the country exceeds the requirement of the Railways;

(c) if so, what is the excess capacity in each of the wagon manufacturing units;

(d) whether, with the wagon manufacturing capacity already in excess of the demand, permitting the new entrants would lead to sickness in the industry; and

(e) if so, what is the justification in permitting the new entrants in the wagon manufacturing industry in the country?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) Non MRTP and Non FERA companies are exempted from Industrial Licensing, subject to certain conditions.

(b) The planned off-take of the Railways is less than the 'licensed' capacity.

(c) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha. (*See* below).

(d) The actual performance of the wagon manufacturing units has been much below their licensedd capacity in the last 20 years. The planned offtake in 1988-89 which the industry is expected to achieve is the highest in the last 20 years.

(e) Question does not arise as Non-MRTP and Non-FERA companies are free to enter in the field of wagon manufacturing subject to their fulfilling certain criteria as laid down in Ministry of Industry's notification dated 30th June, 1988.

Statement

Wagon builder-wise licensed capacity and off-take planned during 1988-89

(Figs. in four wheeler units)

Name of the firm	Licensed capacity	Off take planned during 1988-89
1. Bharat Wagon & Engg. Co. Ltd., Muzaffarpur	2,000	981
2. Bharat Wagon & Engg. Co. Ltd., Mokameh	2,000	1197.5
3. Braithwaite & Co. Ltd..	3,000	2482.5
4. Burn Std. Co. Ltd., Burnpur	3,911	2755
5. Burn Std. Co. Ltd., Howrah	4,750	3060
6. Jessop & Co. Ltd.	3,279	620
7. Cimmco Ltd.	3,580	1895
8. Hindustan General Industries Ltd.	2,000	752.5
9. Modern Industries Ltd..	2,000	667.5
10. Texmaco Ltd.	4,800	3710
11. Hindustan Development Corporation	4,056	715